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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

Customer No. 21874

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 4, 2009, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-6 and 13-16 and species c) using water showing a phosphate ion concentration of 25 ppm or less as phosphorus and a silicate ion concentration of 25 ppm or less as silicon (claims 6 and 16) for the Species Election without traverse for continued examination.

In any event, Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims prior to issuance of any patent maturing from the instant application.

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